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-[Six-part message complete]

[149 groups unrecoverable]

[Part I]

[C% the army [PO ARMII]]

[37 groups unrecovered]

CAMPBELL [KEMPBEL]

The Committee is [2 groups

The drawing up [Di General BISSNIO IN] unrecovered] on [D% political] and economic questions for drawing up instructions to EISENHOWER and WILSON of a political [O% nature].

[2 groups unrecovered] of treaties[a] on civilian questions of the type already signed with Holland and Belgium and the treaty[a] with [4 groups unrecovered] [3% on [PO]] [4 groups unrecovered] Army [8% of Liberation] [ARMIYA OSVOBO.....]

[20 groups unrecoverable]

[B% the Allies] [1 group unrecovered] the European Advisory Commission [EVROPEJSKIJ KONSUL'TATIVNYJ SOVET][b] in SIDON[i] will

[8 groups unrecovered]

in CARTHAGE[KARFAGEN][ii] is/are taking part in the work of the Committee.
Almost all the work is done by H.[G.][iii] who is present at all the sessions.
In connexion with this work H.[G.] obtains secret documents [6 groups unrecovered]. The ISLANDERS[OSTROVITYANE][iv]

[13 groups unrecovered]

The TRUST[TREST][v] in CARTHAGE

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[12 groups unrecoverable]

work including the personal telegraphic correspondence of BOAR[KABAN][vi] with CAPTAIN[KAPITAN][vii]

[64 groups unrecoverable]

[Part III] 2. The LEAGUE[LIGA][viii] decided to force the ISLANDERS to alter the allocation of occupation zones in Germany in accordance with the existing plan of the European Advisory Commission[b]. 6 weeks ago CAPTAIN informed BOAR that the COUNTRY[STRANA][ix] wishes to detach minimal occupation forces

[34 groups unrecoverable]

would [2 groups unrecovered] involved in the complex political problems of European countries. BOAR replied that the ISLAND's[OSTROV][x] vital interests lie in the North Sea Belgium and Holland and therefore he was not in agreement with the stationing of occupation forces a long way from these areas. CAPTAIN did not agree with this argument. At this stage the ISLANDERS continue to insist on their plan.

In April Richard LAW passed to the ISLAND's Government a memorandum written by the Tar Office and the Foreign Office setting out the ISLAND's policy with respect to the use of the Army in south-west[c] Europe. The document divides the aims to be pursued into "inescapable" and "desirable". The inescapable [aims][d] include occupation by the ISLAND of the Dodecanese to prevent a struggle for the possession of these islands among Turkey, Greece and Italy. The use in Greece of a large enough force of troops to organise relief, the despatch to Greece of military units to support [Part IV] the Greek Government, the basing in TRIESTE of adequate troops to control the Italo-Yugoslav frontier and maintain order there,

[51 groups unrecoverable]

.....ed Bulgaria[e], the despatch of adequate troops to Hungary to take part in the occupation, the despatch of troops to Albania to restore its independence which the British guarantee/d

[15 groups unrecovered]

[C% leading role]

[37 groups unrecoverable]

week(s)[f] ago H.[G.] was entrusted with the decypherment of a confidential telegram from BOAR to CAPTAIN which said that TILSON and the other generals of the ISLAND were insisting strongly on a change in the plan to invade the South of France, suggesting instead an invasion through the Adriatic Sea, TRIESTE and then north-eastwards. BOAR supported this plan. From the contents of the telegram it is clear that BOAR did not succeed in overcoming the strong phjection of CAPTAIN and the COUNTRY's generals.

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[Part V]

Yesterday H.[G.] learnt of a change in the plans [4 groups unrecovered] and ANVIL[xi] will be put into effect possibly in the middle of August. Commenting on this argument

[15 groups unrecovered]

the aims that are being pursued by each: the ISLAND - the strengthening of her influence in the Balkans; the COUNTRY - the desire for the minimum involvement in European politics.

[7 groups unrecoverable]

it is clear the the COUNTRY

[72 groups unrecovered]

[4 groups unrecovered] about him and [B% STEPAN][xii] refused to pass
the documents to him in view of

[22 groups unrecovered]

Then [he/she] had convinced [hinself/herself]

[39 groups unrecoverable]

[Part VI]

In two weeks' time [B% [on/th]] agreement]

[98 groups unrecovered]

[41 groups unrecoverable]

insufficient indication was given

[31 groups unrecovered]

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MAY[MAJ][xiii]

il fees they a week.

Notes: [a] Or agreement.

- [b] EVROPRISKIJ KONSUL'TATIVNYJ SOVET: This is obviously the European Advisory Commission, but the literal translation is 'European Advisory/Consultative Council'.
- [c] As sent. The group for "South-East" is, however, only one digit different.
- [d] Added by translator.
- [6] Or: by Bulgaria.
- [f] Only the last digit of the groups preceding "week(s)" has been recovered and on the basis of this digit three interpretations of this phrase are possible: (1) "3 weeks"

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: LONDON. Comments: [i] SIDON

[ii] CARTHAGE : WASHINGTON D.C.

: Abbreviation for HOMER [GOMER] the covernane of Donald Duart MACLEAN. [iii] H.[G.]

[iv] ISLANDERS : The British.

[v] TRUST : Soviet Embassy.

: Winston S. CHURCHILL. [vi] BOAR

[vii] CAPTAIN : Franklin D. ROSSEVELT.

[viii] LEAGUE : The U.S. Government.

[ix] COUNTRY : U.S.A.

[x] ISL:ND : Great Britain.

: Allied Codename for allied landings in the [xi] ;NVIL

South of France.

[xii] STEPAN : Unidentified. May or may not be a covername.

If a covername it is evidently not the STEPAN last reported to state in NEW YORK's No. 852 of 16th June, 1944 (3/NBF/T416).

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